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ASSEMBLED MONOLAYERS ON SUBSTRATES  
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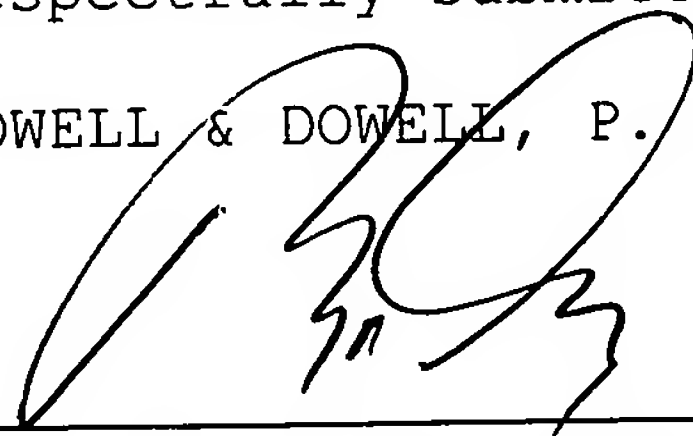
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R., §§ 1.97-1.99, applicant submits the following information which may be of interest to the examiner in charge of the above referenced application for patent. Copies of the non-US references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, List of Prior Art Cited by Applicant, are attached.

Also being submitted herewith is a copy of the International Search with respect to WO 2005/016559, which lists the relevance of the listed patents.

Respectfully submitted,

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	AA	6380536	30Apr02	Breen et al.			
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**OTHER PRIOR ART** (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AP		Hasner: "Organic Films (Langmuir-Blodgett Films and Self-Assembled Monolayers)" Encyclopedia of Chemical Physics and Physical Chemistry, vol. 1-3, 2001, pgs 15-37					
	AR		Liakos et al.: "Self-assembly of mono-functional aliphatic molecules on magnetron sputtered aluminum." July 2003, pgs 1-20					
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